

The work of MEDICAL EQUIPMENT REPAIRERS differs significantly from other precision instrument and equipment repair work. Although Medical Equipment Repairers work on fine mechanical systems, the larger scale of their tasks requires less precision. The machines that they repair include electric wheelchairs, mechanical lifts, hospital beds, and customized vehicles.

Medical Equipment Repairers use various tools, including ammeters, voltmeters, and other measuring devices to diagnose problems. They use hand tools and machining equipment, such as small lathes and other metalworking equipment, to make repairs.

### **Requirements**

- ▲ High school diploma or equivalent.
- ▲ On the job training with an experienced worker for about three to six months.
- ▲ Ability to read and understand technical manuals.
- ▲ Good vision and fine motor skills.
- ▲ Mechanical aptitude.
- ▲ Detail oriented.
- ▲ Ability to work independently with little supervision.

### **Wages**

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| ▲ Medical Equipment Repairers<br>Median hourly wage: | \$23.27  |
| ▲ Average annual wage:                               | \$49,925 |

*Source: Occupational Employment Survey of Employers 2006 by EDD/LMID.*

## Medical Equipment Repairers

### Job Outlook

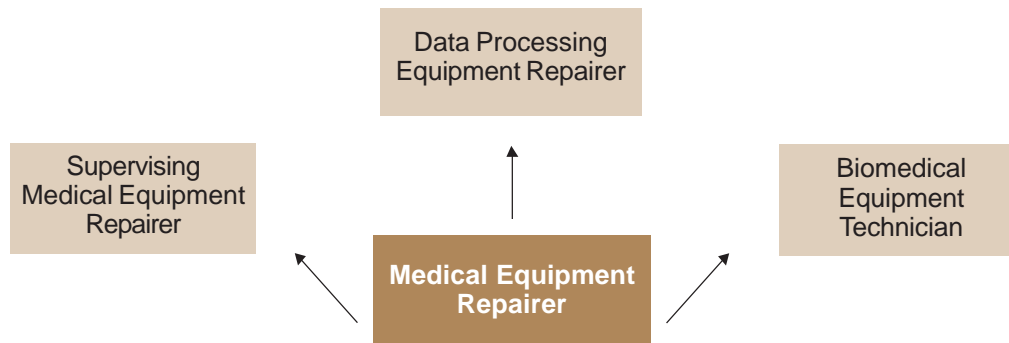
- ▲ Estimated number of Medical Equipment Repairers in 2004: 3,500
- ▲ Estimated number of Medical Equipment Repairers in 2014: 4,100
- ▲ Estimated annual job openings: 160

Source: Occupational Projections, EDD/LMID.

### Sources of Information

- ▲ Radiological Society of North America (RSNA)  
(800) 381-6660  
[www.rsna.org](http://www.rsna.org)

### Possible Career Paths



*The skills, knowledge, and abilities acquired for the primary occupation provide a solid foundation for further growth in health career occupations. Additional education or training is often required.*